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In re Application of EL-BAROUDI

U.S. Application No.: 10/541,250

PCT Application No.: PCT/FR03/03943

Int. Filing Date: 30 December 2003 : DECISION

Priority Date Claimed: 30 December 2002

Attorney Docket No.: 0617-1004

For: METHOD FOR BIOMECHANICAL

SIMULATION OF A SET OF OSSEOUS

JOINTS

This is in response to applicant's "Petition to Revive Unintentionally Abandoned Application Under 37 CFR 1.137(b)" filed 01 July 2005.

BACKGROUND

On 30 December 2003, applicant filed international application PCT/FR03/03943, which claimed priority of an earlier France application filed 30 December 2002. A copy of the international application was communicated to the USPTO from the International Bureau on 22 July 2004. The thirty-month period for paying the basic national fee in the United States expired on 30 June 2005.

International application PCT/FR03/03943 became abandoned as to the United States for failure to timely pay the basic national fee.

On 01 July 2005, applicant filed the present petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b).

DISCUSSION

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting that an application be revived on the grounds of unintentional abandonment must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply unless previously filed, (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m), (3) a statement that the entire

delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition was unintentional, and (4) a terminal disclaimer if the application was filed before 08 June 1995.

With regard to item (1), applicant has provided the required basic national fee under 35 U.S.C. 371.

With regard to item (2), applicant has provided the required petition fee.

With regard to item (3), applicant has provided the required statement.

With regard to item (4), because the international application was filed after 08 June 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons above, the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is GRANTED.

This application is being forwarded to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for further processing in accordance with this decision, including preparation and mailing of a Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) indicating that an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497 and a translation of the international application into English must be filed.

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